# January 10, 2011 REGULAR SESSION

The Regular Session of the Auburn City Council was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California on Monday, January 10th, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Kirby presiding and City Clerk Joseph G.R. Labrie recording the minutes.

#### CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by the Cub Scouts

### **ROLL CALL:**

**Council Members Present:** 

Bridget Powers, Kevin Hanley, J. M.

Holmes, Keith Nesbitt, Bill Kirby

**Council Members Absent:** 

None

Staff Members Present: City Manager Robert Richardson, City Attorney Michael Colantuono, Community Development Director Will Wong, Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi, Public Works Director Bernie Schroeder, Transit Analyst Megan Siren, Administrative Services Director Andy Heath, Assoc. Planner Lance Lowe, Police Chief Valerie Harris and Police Captain John Ruffcorn.

# MAYOR'S COMMENDATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Kirby presented a commendation for David Albright, a volunteer with Auburn Police Department.

#### AGENDA APPROVAL

Council Member Nesbitt requested item 14 be moved to be the first item following the consent calendar.

The agenda was approved as presented by consensus of the Council.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

Joseph Tucciarone, resident of Auburn, requested item 5 be removed from the consent calendar.

### 1. Warrants

By **RESOLUTION 11-01** approve Warrants #76154 through 76512 totaling \$2,161,843.65.

## 2. Minutes

By MOTION approve City Council Minutes of 11/22/2010 and 12/06/2010.

# 3. Placer County Water Agency Non-Exclusive Easement at 2301 Lindberg Street

By **RESOLUTION 11-02**, authorize the Director of Public Works to execute easement documents with Placer County Water Agency (PCWA) for water facilities constructed at 2301 Lindberg Street (the Airport Industrial Park).

# 4. Vintage Oaks Lift Station Project – Notice of Completion

By **RESOLUTION 11-03**, authorize the recording of a Notice of Completion for the Vintage Oaks Lift Station Project.

5. CalPERS Contract Amendment Resolution of Intention and
Disclosure of Costs to Participate in 2% @ 50 Full Formula for Public
Safety Members

Removed from consent calendar. See item 6a.

# 6. <u>Technology Support Services Memorandum of Understanding with</u> <u>the Placer County Sheriff's Office</u>

By **RESOLUTION 11-06**, approve the Memorandum of Understanding, between the Placer County Sheriff's Office and the Auburn Police Department, for technical support and maintenance of shared public-safety-related technology systems.

By **MOTION**, approve the consent calendar with the exception of item 5. **MOTION**: Hanley/ Powers/ Approved 5:0

6a. CalPERS Contract Amendment Resolution of Intention and
Disclosure of Costs to Participate in 2% @ 50 Full Formula for Public
Safety Members (formerly agenda item number 5)

Joseph Tucciarone, resident of Auburn, said he would like the Council to look at any way to reduce the costs of employee benefits to save taxpayer dollars.

Council Member Hanley explained how negotiations with employee unions are conducted and the importance of retaining well trained public safety employees.

Council Member Nesbitt said the council and the unions have been working together in negotiations to gain great compromises and reduce costs.

Council Member Powers thanked the unions who negotiated these new contracts and made these sacrifices.

By **RESOLUTION 11-04**, adopt a Resolution of Intention to approve an amendment to the contract between the Board of Administration California Public Employees' Retirement System and City of Auburn providing Section 20475 (Different Level of Benefits) for local safety members whereby Section 21362 (2% @ 50 Full formula) is applicable to local safety members entering membership for the first time in the safety classification after the effective date of this amendment to the contract.

By **RESOLUTION 11-05**, consistent with Government Code Section 7507, disclose the future annual employer costs related to a local public safety benefit amendment will be 14.172% of reportable earnings for local safety members entering the membership for the first time in the safety classification after the effective date of the amendment to the contract.

# MOTION: Nesbitt/ Holmes/ Approved 5:0

# 6b. Amgen Tour of California Local Organizing Committee (formerly 14)

Council Member Nesbitt introduced this item. He said this is a "progress report" of how the committee organizing the Stage 3 Amgen Tour of California start in May is doing.

Police Captain John Ruffcorn, Chair of the LOC, reviewed what the committee has already completed and what will be done in the coming months.

Ron Schwab, Sponsorship Director of the LOC, reviewed the sponsorship progress and said he plans to begin selling sponsorships by next Monday. He said there are 7 sponsorship levels and briefly reviewed each. He said they should be able to start identifying sponsors next Monday.

# 7. Public Comment

Council Member Holmes said the Placer County Air Pollution Control District is accepting "Clean Air" Grant applications. He said he is concerned about some of the items in the Governor's recently released budget and encouraged staff to look at these issues and write letters to legislators and the Governor expressing concern.

Dan Sokol, resident of Auburn, said he would like to see the new signal lights in Auburn be energy efficient. He said Auburn should own any street lights that are installed, for cost savings.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

# 8. <u>Senate Bill 857: Parking Fine Increase Effective December 7, 2010, and Procedures to Adopt Increased Parking Fines by Resolution</u>

Police Captain John Ruffcorn presented this item.

Council Member Holmes asked about the referenced "Exhibit A" in the resolution to be approved.

City Attorney Michael Colantuono explained the "Exhibit A" is listing the vehicle code base penalties set by state law.

Council Member Holmes asked where the information is showing the current parking fees in Auburn.

Police Captain John Ruffcorn said documentation could not be found stating when the parking fines were established or last updated and that the City's local fines are \$8 for all violations.

Council Member Hanley asked about revenue generated by parking fines. He also said these fines were imposed by the State, not leaving much of a choice on a local level.

By RESOLUTION 11-07, approve an increase of parking fines by eight dollars (\$8.00) to comply with Senate Bill 857 and Senate Bill 1407 and to comply with Department of Motor Vehicles practices that do not process amounts not stated in even dollars.

MOTION: Nesbitt/ Powers/ Approved 5:0

9. Continued Public Hearing to Consider an Appeal of the Planning
Commission's Approval of a Height Variance for a 78 foot Monopine
Cellular Tower located at 169 Borland Avenue in the Industrial (M-2)
Zone

Jacob Reeves; representing AT&T, the applicant on the project; said he was directed by AT&T Corporate to request a continuance on this item.

City Attorney Michael Colantuono suggested that because at the last hearing on this matter when the opponents of the project had legal representation (suggesting possible litigation over this permit), AT&T is most likely taking more time to prepare their presentation.

Associate Planner Lance Lowe said he only received the request from AT&T today. He said he did not receive an official request from the appellant to continue this item, although the appellant had discussed that possibility with him.

Council Member Powers asked the applicant for more information behind the continuance request.

Michael Colantuono advised that the decision to continue this item is the Council's. He said both sides on the issue have had due time to prepare their case.

Council Member comments followed regarding the importance of having both parties fully prepared to move forward on the item.

Council Member Holmes expressed concern with continuing the item due to the last-minute request by AT&T.

Mayor Kirby said he is disappointed by AT&T's request for continuance at the last minute. He also said a continuance request should not be provided without some concrete comments as to why it is being requested.

O.C. Taylor, appellant on this item, resident in Auburn, spoke in opposition of continuing this item. He said many people who were in attendance were ready to speak on the item. He said he inquired about a continuance during the previous week himself.

City Attorney Michael Colantuono explained the difference in continuance requests between the applicant and the appellant arising from the FCC's 150-day shot-clock rule.

By **MOTION**, continue to a date uncertain and provide public notice as required as of the new hearing date.

MOTION: Hanley/ Powers/ Approved 4:1 (Holmes voted no)

#### REPORTS

# 10. City Council Committee Reports

Council Member Powers reported the Economic Development Commission meets tomorrow at 4pm in Room 10 for anyone interested in attending. She also said the Airport Business Park Association is having their Executive Director's meeting this Wednesday at 5pm. She said the General Association meeting will be at January 26<sup>th</sup> at 5pm in the Pilots Lounge. She also said the Placer County Economic Development Board will meet January 20<sup>th</sup> at 3pm in Rocklin.

Council Member Holmes reported that the Placer County Air Pollution Control District has completed the purchase of 110 Maple St. as its new headquarters.

Council Member Nesbitt reported that SHAAC will be meeting Wednesday at 5pm in the Rose Room.

#### **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

# 11. Regional Wastewater Project Value Engineering Study – Request for Funding

Public Work Director Bernie Schroeder presented this item (presentation available in the City Clerk's office).

Dan Ridge, Wastewater Consultant with NexGen, addressed the study's potential to identify lower costs for the regional project.

Council Member Hanley asked about the price being defined as fixed vs. firm. He also asked about the deposit listed on the proposal and what part of the sewer fund would be utilized for this.

City Manager Robert Richardson said the funds utilized would be from the sewer fund reserves held for UV upgrades.

Mayor Kirby said the Lincoln proposal is subject to negotiation. He said the agreement would need to be negotiated so that it is beneficial to both cities. He asked if this is a common practice to fund a study being completed by another city. \*\*\*Council recessed for 5 minutes\*\*\*

Council Member Hanley asked about possible increases in monthly rates.

Council Member conversation followed regarding the last Wastewater study completed.

Bernie Schroder said the timeline for completed construction for a regional plant is 2014.

Warren Bennett, Executive Director of PNWA / Bennett Engineering, gave his opinion of the proposal.

Robert Weygandt, Placer County Board of Supervisors, gave his perspective of the proposal by Lincoln. He said it is a "compelling and historic decision to be made."

Spencer Short, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Lincoln, said this study and regional plant are the right things for the community. He said they will result in clean, reliable long-term permitting for wastewater treatment. He said the goals of the two studies are different. He said Lincoln looks forward to having Auburn as a partner on this regional approach.

Council Member Hanley asked about Auburn's financial responsibility in Lincoln's proposal. He asked about the money in the oversizing fund. He asked why the City of Lincoln is not helping pay for the study they are proposing.

Spencer Short said because the study is to accommodate Placer County and the City of Auburn, the cost is being put on those two partners.

Council Member Hanley asked about the Lincoln City Council determining sewer rates per the proposal.

Spencer Short said there needs to be a cooperative agreement on how rates are determined in the future. He said each City could be represented on a committee to determine these factors.

Council Member Holmes said he feels that Lincoln's plant was expanded to fit the need of the citizens of Lincoln, not a regional solution.

Bruce Burnworth, City Engineer, City of Lincoln, presented the "Regional Sewer, City of Lincoln Proposal" (available in the City Clerk's office). He then answered questions from the Council regarding: (1) The Army Corps of Engineers grant that was given to the County to help fund the regional

sewer project, (2) fines by environmental agencies due to reduced water in the creek if the regional project is completed, (3) the aggressive timeline on the project, and (4) options for financing the project.

Cheryl Maki, resident of Auburn, spoke of her experience when she was on Council trying to keep up with regulations with the wastewater treatment plant. She spoke in favor of a regional wastewater treatment plant.

Bob Snyder, resident of Auburn, stressed this opportunity to go regional is different then in the past. He talked about the level of local control and regulations. He said going regional will provide an opportunity to produce reclaimed water. He spoke in favor of a regional wastewater treatment plant and spoke of the unintended consequences of not going regional.

Bill Kirby, Chairman of the Placer Nevada Wastewater Authority, resident of Auburn, spoke in favor of a regional wastewater treatment plant. He said this is an opportunity to get a firm number on Auburn's costs to go regional.

Council Member questions followed: (1) past funding for studies, (2) construction of pipeline, and (3) lift stations.

Council Member Hanley said he is concerned about the timeline, the lack of money being put up for the study by Lincoln, the uncertainty with the final financial costs, local control, the details in the Lincoln proposal, and sewer rate increases for local residents.

Council Member Nesbitt said he is also concerned with the number that comes from the study not being firm and with the monthly cost to local residents.

Mayor Kirby said he shares the same concerns and will look at this study very critically, but supports this study because it will provide a definitive end.

By RESOLUTION 11-08, authorize the Director of Public Works to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with Placer County and the City of Lincoln which will authorize the contribution of \$28,000 to the City of Lincoln for the City of Auburn's share of the Value Engineering Study. MOTION: Holmes/ Powers/ Approved 5:0

# 12. <u>Placer Nevada Wastewater Authority – Funding Request for</u> Executive Director Contract

Public Works Director Bernie Schroeder presented this item (staff report available in City Clerk's office).

Placer County Supervisor Weygandt spoke about the support that PNWA provides to the region.

Bill Kirby, Chairman of PNWA, he said position this might allow PNWA Board to write independent grants to possibly fund projects and salary in the future.

Council Member questions followed regarding scope of work for position and how the position is related to the regional wastewater treatment plant project.

Public Works Director Bernie Schroeder explained the benefits of this position to each agency that participates.

Placer County Supervisor Weygandt explained this role and how it would change if a regional wastewater plant were to move forward.

Spencer Short, Mayor Pro Tem, Lincoln City Council, said there is a continuing need for PNWA and this role.

Council Member comments followed regarding: (1) Auburn's share coming from the sewer fund, (2) reduced responsibility for the Executive Director, (3) Lincoln not participating, and (4) the benefits of PNWA.

By **RESOLUTION 11-09**, authorize the Director of Public Works to authorize the cost sharing for the funding of the contract for the Executive Director of the Placer Nevada Wastewater Authority in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

MOTION: Powers/ Nesbitt/ Approved 4:1 (Holmes voted no)

# 13. Auburn State Recreation Area

Council Member Holmes presented this item. He said this resolution asks the Secretary of the Interior to decide whether the Auburn State Recreation Area should remain funded by the Bureau of Reclamation or possibly the Bureau of Land Management. He said he is also working with multiple other elected representatives to gain support on this issue. He said a cover letter will be included if the resolution passes that would send

it to the Secretary of the Interior and with other copies going to elected legislators, BOR and BLM.

Gary Estes, Resident of Auburn and Board Member of Protect American River Canyons, said the purpose of this resolution is to get all parties together and get attention in Washington D.C. on this issue.

Council Member Holmes said this issue has developed into a much larger issue, and broad support is needed. He said the contract between Cal Fire and BOR has changed in terms of coverage areas.

Council Member Hanley said its important to look at the numbers coming from BOR of what it takes to manage this recreation area and push to get adequate funding.

By **RESOLUTION 11-10**, support a long-term solution for Auburn State Recreation Area.

MOTION: Hanley/ Powers/ Approved 5:0

# 14. Amgen Tour of California Local Organizing Committee

Moved to item 6b.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kirby adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 9:56 p.m.

William W. Kirby, M.D., Mayor

Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk

# CITY COUNCIL MINUTES January 13, 2011 SPECIAL SESSION

A Special Session of the Auburn City Council was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California on Thursday, January 13, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Kirby presiding and City Clerk Joseph G.R. Labrie recording the minutes.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### **ROLL CALL:**

**Council Members Present:** 

Bridget Powers, Kevin Hanley, J.M.

"Mike" Holmes, Keith Nesbitt, Bill Kirby

Council Members Absent:

None

Staff Members Present: City Manager Robert Richardson, City Attorney Michael Colantuono, Community Development Director Will Wong, Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi, Public Works Director Bernie Schroeder, Senior Planner Reg Murray, Public Works Engineer Carie Huff and City Engineer Jack Warren.

### 1. Public Comment

No public comment.

# 2. Baltimore Ravine Specific Plan and Study Areas Project - APPEAL

Senior Planner Reg Murray introduced Adrienne Graham, consulting planner for the Baltimore Ravine Specific Plan.

Adrienne Graham presented this item. She provided background and an overview of this project. She explained the items being recommended by the Planning Commission for approval. She also addressed issues that are of concern to the residents in the community.

Ken Anderson of KD Anderson and Associates, Traffic Engineer for this project, addressed traffic and access concerns.

Councilmember questions followed regarding: (1) access points affecting current residents, (2) public safety concern with direct access, (3) discussions with Placer County for a road maintenance agreement, (4) effect on the sewer capacity at the current wastewater treatment plant and related fees, (5) traffic and noise levels, (6) affordable housing units, (7) traffic congestion, (8) traffic impact of other development, (9) additional on/off ramp off I-80, (10) public hearings held for this project, (11) easements, (12) development agreement in regards to \$38,000 annual shortfall, (13) barrier on Herdal Drive, (14) guidelines for drainage and run off, (15) traffic study in regards to "Skyridge" traffic, and (16) fire access.

Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi discussed emergency access to the project area. He also addressed the need of additional fire resources, and the long term master plan for additional fire stations. He said his opinion is that Herdal Drive provides the best emergency services access to the site.

Council Member questions continued regarding: (1) plan area 1 vs. plan area 2 and the future approval process for plan area 2, (2) traffic associated with plan area 1 only, (3) level of service standards at different intersections, (4) affordable housing in phase 1, (5) impacts being addressed / approved are only plan area 1, (6) public safety funding, (7) impact on schools, (8) Auburn Recreation District fees, and (9) sound issues in both plan areas 1 & 2.

#### \*\*\*Council recessed for 5 minutes\*\*\*

Stephen Des Jardins, applicant and developer for this project, addressed many of the questions asked by Council. He said this project is endorsed by the Sierra Club. He said there are no new easements needed for any of the proposed access points but would be for alternative points of access. He addressed questions from Council about access points and parcel ownership.

Mark Smith, resident of Auburn and appellant on this item, spoke about the project and why he opposes it. He reviewed previously completed environmental reviews for unfinished projects in the area showing the cumulative impact on the community with the addition of the Baltimore Ravine project. He expressed concern about the current level of law enforcement, the project's effect on local schools, and the long term impact on utilities.

Jack Sanchez, resident of Auburn, urged the City to adopt policies to protect waterways in this development and into the future.

Public Comment in favor of the Baltimore Ravine Specific Plan:

Terry Davis of the Sierra Club of Auburn, Kim Dahlin of Auburn, James Dahlin of Auburn, and Skip Outman of Auburn.

Public Comment in opposition of one or more aspects of the Baltimore Ravine Specific Plan:

Margie Koltun of Auburn, Maricica Koltun of Auburn, Kathy Allen of Auburn, April Moore of Colfax, Elinor Petuskey of Newcastle, Jeff Cowen of Auburn, Norm Chavez of Auburn, Larry Grilli of Auburn, Katie Burdick of Auburn, Bill Grant of Auburn, Jena Wiskus of Auburn, Richard Sanborn of Auburn, Bart Ruud of Auburn, Antoinette Fabela of Auburn, Charles Waterman of Auburn, Ann Craig of Auburn, and Michael Otten of Auburn.

#### \*\*\*Council recessed for 5 minutes\*\*\*

Stephen Des Jardins addressed the public's comments. He spoke about: (1) current zoning of plan 1, (2) EIR, (3) development agreement, (4) Native American resources and consultation, (5) Herdal Drive improvements, and (6) Mello-Roos financing. He finished by asking the Council to deny the appeal by Mark Smith and to approve the project.

Council Member questions followed: (1) 2-acre park, (2) Herdal Drive construction options, (3) determination of zoning of land, (4) previous plans for Baltimore Ravine area that were unsuccessful, (5) traffic study / projection approach, (6) mitigation measures for construction workers to receive handbook that explain how to identify and protect archeological resources, (7) available transit and route stops, (8) the fact that private persons cannot obtain property rights against the City via adverse possession, (9) bicycle lanes, (10) failure of the traffic study to address potential build-out, (11) different level of service at intersections, (12) City / County discussions regarding impacts on Indian Hill Drive, (13) parking complaints on Herdal Drive, (14) permitting processes, (15) development agreement vs. subdivision agreement, (16) Rogers Lane improvements, and (17) Werner access.

Council Member comments followed: (1) quality of developments in Auburn, (2) "smart growth" concept, (3) commercial space in plan area 2, (4) access streets, (5) Herdal neighborhood, (6) posting amended development agreement to the City's website, (7) cumulative effects, (8) value of revisions developer has made, (9) Pacific Street access, (10) I-80 / Indian Hill Road impacts, (11) high density housing, (12) CalTrans responsibility for the I-80 exit, (13) best access point for development, (14) approval / denial of appeal.

A. By **RESOLUTION 11-11**, deny the appeal submitted by Mark Smith. **MOTION:** Hanley/ Holmes/ Approved 5:0

Council Member conversation followed regarding access options being referred to the Planning Commission for additional analysis.

B. By **MOTION**, indefinitely table the Council's review of the project and task the Planning Commission with further studying and providing a recommendation to the City Council regarding either the Placer Street Extension or the Rail Line crossing south of Pacific Street and to task staff and the applicant with engaging with the County regarding an agreement on paying for Indian Hill Road / Newcastle Road intersection improvements in the future.

MOTION: Hanley/ Nesbitt/ Approved 4:1 (Kirby voted no)

William W. Kirby, M.D., Mayor

Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk

# January 24, 2011 REGULAR SESSION

The Regular Session of the Auburn City Council was held in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn, California on Monday, January 24, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor Kirby presiding and City Clerk Joseph G.R. Labrie recording the minutes.

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### **ROLL CALL:**

**Council Members Present:** 

Bridget Powers, Kevin Hanley, J. M.

Holmes, Keith Nesbitt, Bill Kirby

**Council Members Absent:** 

None

Staff Members Present: City Manager Robert Richardson, City Attorney Michael Colantuono, Fire Chief Mark D'Ambrogi, Public Works Director Bernie Schroeder, Transit Analyst Megan Siren, Administrative Services Director Andy Heath, Public Works Engineer Carie Huff, Police Chief Valerie Harris and Police Captain John Ruffcorn.

By **MOTION** adjourn to a Closed Session under Government Code Section 54957:6

MOTION: Nesbitt/ Holmes/ Unanimously approved by voice

#### CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

The City Council/Agency finds, based on advice from legal counsel, that discussion in open session will prejudice the position of the local agency in the litigation.

**Existing Litigation**: City of Auburn vs. Lehman Brothers G.C. 54956.9(a) US District Court, for the Southern District of NY

# REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

No reportable action.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### AGENDA APPROVAL

The agenda was approved as presented by consensus of the Council.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

City Clerk Joe Labrie requested item 1 be removed from the consent calendar.

## 1. Minutes

By **MOTION** approve City Council Minutes of 12/13/2010.

# 2. <u>Elder's Station Security Camera Project – Environmental and Award</u>

By **RESOLUTION 11-11**, find the Elder's Station Security Camera Project categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15301 (c) - Existing Facilities.

By **RESOLUTION 11-12**, authorize the Director of Public Works to execute a construction contract with Maxpower Electronics, Inc. for the Elder's Station Security Camera Project in an amount not to exceed \$14,700.00.

# 3. <u>Auburn Transit – Certifications & Assurances for PTMISEA Grant</u> Program

By **RESOLUTION 11-13**, authorize the City Manager or the Director of Public Works to submit and execute on behalf of the City of Auburn the Certificates & Assurances for the Public Transit Modernization, Improvement, and Service Enhancement Account Grant Program.

# 4. <u>Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution</u>

By **RESOLUTION 11-14**, authorize agents for the City of Auburn on the Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution form, CalEMA Form 130.

# 5. MOU with Sierra Economic Development Corporation for Grant Administration; Southridge Fuel Break

By **RESOLUTION 11-15**, authorize the Fire Chief to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Sierra Economic Development Corporation for the administration of Grant Funding under Grant Number 11USFS-SFAX0025, "Southridge Open Space Fuel Break."

# 6. <u>Airport Office Lease Amendment – John Crawford dba Sierra Air</u> <u>Helicopters, LLC</u>

By **RESOLUTION 11-16**, authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a lease amendment for commercial office space in the Auburn

Municipal Airport Operations Building between the City of Auburn and John Crawford, dba Sierra Air Helicopters, LLC, adding Suite 103 as additional office space and extending the lease for both suites on a month-to-month basis for a total cost of \$300.00 per month.

# 7. Labor Relations Consulting Services Agreement

By **RESOLUTION 11-17**, authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute a Consulting Services Agreement with Patrick Clark Consulting to provide human resources and labor negotiations consulting services through June 30, 2012 and as required by the City in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

# 8. <u>2010-11 Street Overlay Project – Notice of Completion</u>

By **RESOLUTION 11-18**, authorize an additional \$983.06 and the recording of a Notice of Completion for the 2010-11 Street Overlay Project.

\*\*\*\*\*\* End of Consent Calendar \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Council Member Holmes recused himself from item 5 & 8 due the proximity of his home to the land affected by those items. Council Member Nesbitt recused himself from item 8 for this same reason.

By **MOTION**, approve the consent calendar with the exception of item 1 and with the noted abstentions.

**MOTION: Powers/ Nesbitt/ Approved 5:0** 

#### 8a. Minutes

City Clerk Joe Labrie requested corrections on the 12/13/2010 minutes.

By MOTION approve corrected City Council Minutes of 12/13/2010. MOTION: Hanley/ Nesbitt/ Approved 5:0

### 9. Public Comment

Council Member Nesbitt clarified he is not running for the Assembly. He said he plans to fulfill his term on this Council and thanked the people who elected him.

Council Member Holmes said today is the anniversary of the day James Marshall discovered gold in Coloma in 1848. He also said today is the last day for candidates to file for the 4<sup>th</sup> Assembly District election. He said he would like to have the discussion again soon regarding establishing Charter City status.

Council Member Hanley said he has been appointed to SACOG's Government Affairs Committee and welcomed ideas from his fellow Council Members to be considered by this committee.

Megan Siren, Department of Public Works, said the Auburn Bike Fest will be held Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 10am to noon at E.V. Cain School. She said this is funded by the 2010 Clean Air Grant. She also said that last week, 12 bike racks were installed throughout town under this grant.

Mayor Kirby asked the Council their thoughts about moving the next Council meeting up a week due to it landing on Valentines Day. The consensus was the next regular meeting will remain scheduled on February 14, 2011.

#### **REPORTS**

# 10. <u>Informational Report from Public Works – Response to Public Comment Regarding Traffic Signals and Streetlights</u>

Public Works Engineer Carie Huff presented a report on the traffic signals and streetlights throughout Auburn (report available in the City Clerk's office).

Council Member questions followed regarding traffic signals at Central Square and traffic signal coordination and synchronization.

Dan Sokol, resident of Auburn, said he disagrees with information provided in this report. He spoke of the difference between ownership options on the newly installed street lights.

Public Works Director Bernie Schroeder said this issue has been researched many times. She said there is an arrangement made by the developer with PG&E that sets the schedule.

# 11. <u>City Council Committee Reports</u>

Council Member Holmes reported on the Auburn State Recreation Area. He said the letter and resolution passed at the last Council meeting was mailed to the Secretary of Interior. He said the Placer County Board of Supervisors and the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors are scheduled to pass similar resolutions that will also go to the Secretary of Interior. He said the local area Chambers of Commerce are meeting February 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss the issue and hopefully will also be sending correspondence to officials regarding this matter.

Council Member Nesbitt said the SHAAC committee recently met and he plans to have some recommendations for tiles to be engraved before Council at its next meeting. He said the approved interpretative sign has been installed by the site of the Wells Fargo Bank.

Council Member Nesbitt reported on a new designation for Auburn determined during a Placer County Transportation Planning Agency audit and said he will be bringing more information to a future meeting.

Council Member Nesbitt reported that the Amgen committee is actively soliciting for sponsorships for the ATOC Stage 3 start on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Council Member Powers reported that the first general meeting for the Airport Business Park Association is going to be held this Wednesday in the Pilot's Lounge.

Council Member Powers reported that the Placer County Economic Development Board met and discussed a "Listen to Businesses" workshop scheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Mayor Kirby thanked Council Member Holmes for his leadership on the Auburn State Recreation Area issue.

Mayor Kirby also said the new kiosk at Central Square is getting a lot of use and he is very happy with the final product.

Mayor Kirby reported that the Placer Nevada Wastewater Authority is meeting Thursday and there will be a formal presentation from the City of Lincoln on all the final numbers on a regional wastewater option.

Mayor Kirby reported on the local bike shops in Auburn and the upcoming Amgen Tour of California.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kirby adjourned the meeting, without objection, at 6:35 p.m.

William W. Kirby, M.D., Mayor

Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk

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